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In re Application of :  
Katsushi Ikeuchi, *et al.* :  
Serial No.: 10/602,600 :  
Filed: June 25, 2003 :  
For: **IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, IMAGE** :  
**PROCESSING METHOD, AND IMAGE** :  
**PROCESSING PROGRAM** :

DECISION ON PETITION  
*ACCEPTANCE OF COLOR DRAWINGS*

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR §1.183 filed October 27, 2005, which is being treated as a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2), requesting acceptance of color drawings.

The petition requests that the color drawings identified in Figures 5A-5C, 8A-8D, 9A-9E, 10A-10D be accepted in lieu of black and white drawings.

A grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.84(a)(2) must be accompanied by a fee set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h), 3 (three) sets of the color drawings in question, and the specification must contain, or be amended to contain, the following language as the first paragraph in that portion of the specification relating to the brief description of the drawings:

*"The file of this patent contains at least one drawing executed in color. Copies of this patent with color drawing(s) will be provided by the Patent and Trademark Office upon request and payment of the necessary fee."*

The application file is being forwarded to the Group technical support staff for entry of the proposed amendment filed with this petition. From there, the application file will be forwarded to Drafting Division, Drawing Review Branch for review of the drawing figures in light of this decision.

The petition is GRANTED.

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